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U.S. Patent Application Entitled "SERVICE SYSTEM" – Uchikoga, et al.

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are:

- 1. A disclosure including a title page, an 23-page specification, 4 pages of claims (Claims 1-5), one page abstract. This disclosure constitutes the application of Hiroshi Uchikoga and Hideki Sogabe for the above-entitled invention;
- 2. Formal drawings (8 pages, Figures 1-9);
- Strikethrough version of the application (24 pages);
- 4. Substitute sheets for the application (24 pages);
- 5. A Preliminary Amendment (5 pages); and
- 6. A return postcard.



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Applicant hereby claims priority to Japanese Patent Application No. 079647/2000 filed on March 22, 2000.

Please note that this application is filed <u>without</u> an inventors' declaration and filing fees. Applicant requests the Patent and Trademark Office to accept this application and accord a serial number and filing date as of the date this application is deposited with the U.S. Postal Service for Express Mail. Further, Applicant requests that the NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS-FILING DATE GRANTED be sent to the undersigned representative of Applicant.

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